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The following is a consolidated report of state operations and fire activity in Southern California. Information in this report is gathered from state and county offices of emergency services. Some information may not be verified.

General Report:

There are 13 active fires in Southern California and no fires in Northern California. The priority for fighting fires is: the Valley Slide, Witch, Poomacha, Rice, Santiago, Harris, Ranch, Pendleton, Buckweed, Canyon and Magic. The MACS level remains at Level 4 (the highest level) for Southern California. Level 4 reflects a total Geographical Area commitment or statewide effort requiring MACS activities.

Dead: 3

Injured: 60

Number in Shelters: 12,465 in 45 shelters

Population Impacted: 917,895

Total Acres Burned to Date: 461,261 (per OES Fire Branch Summary)

Residences: Destroyed: 1,342 Damaged: 523 Threatened: 20,900

Commercial: Destroyed: 34 Damaged: 10 Threatened: 1,500

Outbuildings: Destroyed: 150 Damaged: 91 Threatened: 300

Cost Estimates : No official estimates provided.

- Conditions have markedly improved to aid firefighting capabilities; winds are now maxing out at 15 miles per hour
- Mop-up operations have begun in many areas of the state
- All embers within 1,500-1,000 feet of containment lines are being extinguished to prevent flare-ups.
- Investigators are currently gathering information and documenting evidence to determine causes of fires that have been contained.
- CalTrans truck service office is authorizing loads up to 88,000 lbs to operate transport to Southern California.
- Permitting of up to 500 trucks will be taking place
- Routes that will be open to transport include 5, 8, 10, 15, 210, and 805.
- There are over 10,000 firefighters actively fighting fires. Firefighter safety is the first priority at this point, as many have been on extended shifts over 24 continuous hours

Federal Declaration:

On October 24, 2007, the President declared disaster FEMA -1731-DR which authorizes Individual Assistance, Public Assistance, and Hazard Mitigation Grants for this event. The declared counties are Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties. Earlier today, the President signed a federal Declaration to authorize the Individual and Households Program. The State Supplemental Grant Program will be implemented as well, and may provide up to \$10,000 for additional funding to cover eligible items under the IHP once that assistance has been reached the maximum grant of \$28,800 under the IHP program. (NOTE: State provides 25% of the IHP and 100% SSGP funding.)

LINKS TO RESOURCES:

California Department of Emergency Services

<http://www.oes.ca.gov>

California Department of Insurance

<http://www.insurance.ca.gov>

CalTrans Highway Conditions

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/fireclosures.php>

Firefighting Resources of California
Organized for Potential Emergencies -
FIREScope

<http://www.firescope.org>

California Department of Forestry and
Fire Protection - CAL FIRE

<http://www.fire.ca.gov>

National Interagency Fire Center

<http://www.nifc.gov>

National Interagency Coordination
Center

<http://www.nifc.gov/news/nicc.html>

National Fire News

http://www.nifc.gov/fire_info/nfn.htm

Fire weather from the National Weather
Service

<http://fire.boi.noaa.gov/>

NOAA Watch page for weather, fire and
other information

<http://www.noaawatch.gov>

Fire information and links from the US
Forest Service

<http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/reports.shtml>

San Diego Humane Society & SPCA

<http://www.sdhumane.org>

COUNTY FIRE INFORMATION:

Los Angeles <http://lacounty.info/>

**Los Angeles County Office of
Emergency Management**

1275 N. Eastern Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90063

(323) 980-2261

Orange <http://www.oc.ca.gov/>

**Orange County Office of Emergency
Services**

2644 Santiago Canyon Road

Silverado, CA 92676

(714) 628-7055

Riverside

www.rvcfire.org/opencms/functions/oes/

**Riverside County Office of
Emergency Services**

4080 Lemon Street, Suite 8

Riverside, CA 92502-1412

(951) 955-4700

Santa Barbara

<http://www.countyofsb.org/index.asp>

**Santa Barbara County Office of
Emergency Services**

105 East Anapamu Street #102

Santa Barbara, CA 93101

805-681-5526

San Bernardino

<http://www.sbcfire.org/oes>

**San Bernardino County Office of
Emergency Services**

1743 W. Miro Way

Rialto, CA 92376

(909) 356-3998

Ventura

<http://www.vcsd.org/oes/fire.html>

**Ventura County Office of Emergency
Services**

800 South Victoria Avenue

Ventura, CA 93009

Fire Hotline: (805) 388-4276

San Diego

<http://www.sdcountyemergency.com/>

**San Diego County Office of
Emergency Services**

5555 Overland Avenue Building 19

San Diego, CA 92123

(858) 565-3490

San Diego County

San Diego: Public Info # 858-565-3171 or 858-565-3172 Media # 858-565-3171 or 858-565-3172

WITCH FIRE

Acres Burned: 197,990

% Contained: 20

Structures: 645 residences, 300 commercial properties & 50 outbuildings destroyed; 250 residences, 10 commercial properties & 50 outbuildings damaged; 5,000 residences, 1,500 commercial properties & 300 outbuildings threatened.

22 firefighters injured.

POOMACHA FIRE

Acres Burned: 35,000

% Contained: 20

Structures: 50 homes destroyed; 2,000 homes threatened

Fire started October 23 as a structure fire on the Lajolla Indian Reservation. The communities of Valley Center, Rincon Hidden Meadows & Deer Springs are threatened. The fire has resulted in 12 firefighter injuries.

RICE INCIEDNT

Acres Burned: 9,000

% Contained: 30

Structures: 206 structures & 40 outbuildings destroyed

400 remain threatened in Fallbrook & Deluz

HARRIS FIRE

Acres Burned: 81,000

% Contained: 10

Structures: 155 residences, 2 commercial properties & 17 outbuildings destroyed; 250 residences damaged; 1,500 homes threatened.

Started October 21. Communities of Chula Vista, San Diego, San Miguel, Portrero, Barrett Junction, Barrett Lake area, Engineer Springs, Dulzura, Deerhorn Valley, Lawson Valley, Jamul, Lyons Valley and homes along Millar Ranch Road are threatened.

PENDLETON COMPLEX (AMMO FIRE & WILCOX FIRE)

Acres Burned: 363

% Contained: 0

Structures: 100 residences threatened

Ammo Fire started at 11:49 a.m. Areas 50 and 53 on Camp Pendleton have been evacuated. Wilcox began as a 13-acre fire on Camp Pendleton.

MC COY FIRE

Acres Burned: 300

% Contained: 95

Structures: 1 outbuilding destroyed

Mop-up & patrol in progress. This fire is now branched under the Witch. Last report on the McCoy, any further will be under the Witch.

CORONADO HILLS FIRE

Acres Burned: 300

% Contained: 100

Los Angeles County

Los Angeles County: Public Info # 800-980-4990 Media # n/a

RANCH FIRE

Acres Burned: 55,756

% Contained: 70

Structures: 1 home & 8 buildings destroyed.

CANYON FIRE

Acres Burned: 4,500

% Contained: 80

Structures: 6 homes & 2 businesses destroyed; 9 homes damaged; 600 residences, 200 commercial buildings & 100 outbuildings threatened.

3 injuries reported.

BUCKWEED FIRE

Acres Burned: 38,356

% Contained: 100

Structures: 21 residences & 22 outbuildings destroyed; 15 residences damaged.

1 firefighter injury.

MAGIC INCIDENT

Acres Burned: 2824

% Contained: 100

Structures: n/a

MEADOWRIDGE FIRE

Acres Burned: 20

% Contained: 100

Structures: n/a

Orange County

Orange County: Public Info # 714-628-7085 Media # 714-573-6200

SANTIAGO FIRE

Acres Burned: 23,000

% Contained: 30

Structures: 14 homes & 8 outbuildings destroyed; 3,000 homes threatened.

Fire started at Santiago Canyon Road and Silverado Canyon Road in Irvine, Orange County.

San Bernardino County

San Bernardino: Public Info # 909-355-8800 Media # 909-383-5600

SLIDE FIRE

Acres Burned: 11,900

% Contained: 0

Structures: 200 Residences destroyed; 10,000 threatened

12 hour threat to Green Valley, Running Springs, Live Oak, Fredalba, Smiley Park, Deer Lick, Calvery Chapel Camp, National's Children Forest and Visitor Center, Arrowbear Lake.

GRASS VALLEY FIRE

Acres Burned: 1,100

% Contained: 40

Structures: 100 homes destroyed; 6,000 threatened

*Residents may leave via highways, but will not be allowed back into these areas.

MARTIN FIRE

Acres Burned: 75

% Contained: 75

Structures: 1 home damaged

1 firefighter injury has been reported. All evacuation notices have been lifted.

CAJON INCIDENT

Acres Burned: 250

% Contained: 100

Structures: n/a

Riverside County

Riverside County: Public Info # 909-955-4700

ROSA FIRE

Acres Burned: 411

% Contained: 100

Structures: n/a

ROCA FIRE

Acres Burned: 270

% Contained: 100

Structures: n/a

Santa Barbara County

Santa Barbara: Public Info # 805-961-5770 Vulnerable Population Hotline # 805-968-0462

SEGEWICK FIRE

Acres Burned: 710

% Contained: 100

Structures: n/a

ESSENTIAL FACILITIES ACTIVATED-"One–Stop Shop" Centers

Local Assistance Centers: The following LACs will be opened:

San Diego County

Rancho Bernardo Glassman Recreation Center [opened 10/24/07]

18448 West Bernardo Drive

San Diego, CA 92127

*Ramona Community School [opens 10/25/07]

1710 Montecito Rd.

Ramona, CA 92065

*Fallbrook Community Center [opens 10/25/07]

341 Heald Ln.

Fallbrook, CA 92028

*Contingent upon evacuation orders being rescinded.

Rancho San Diego-Cuyamaca College [opens 10/26/07]

900 Rancho San Diego Parkway

El Cajon, CA 92109

Los Angeles County

Activities Center – George A Carvalho, Santa Clarita Complex [opens 10/26/07]

20880 Centre Pointe Parkway

Santa Clarita, CA 91350

Orange County

One Stop Center/Strip Mall [tentatively opens 10/26/07]

125 Technology Way

Irvine, CA

The following state agencies are planning to participate in the LACs: State OES, EDD, Contractor's Board, Dept of Insurance, Veteran's Affairs, Department of Motor Vehicles, Health Services, Social Services, Franchise Tax Board, and Board of Equalization.